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SUBJ: INTERNATIONAL VISITORS PROGRAM: VISIT TO YUGOSLAVIA
PARLIAMENTARY LEADERS

1. EMBASSY WISHES PROPOSE GROUP VISIT OF UP TO SIX MEMBERS
FEDERAL ASSEMBLY UNDER IV PROGRAM TO TAKE PLACE IN SEPTEMBER
1975. THIS PROJECT MENTIONED CPP FOR FY 1977 BUT SINCE
OPPORTUNITY TO CARRY IT OUT EARLIER EXISTS, EMBASSY WISHES
TRANSFER IT TO FY 76 PROGRAM. YUGOSLAV ASSEMBLY DELEGATION
WILL VISIT MEXICO IN SEPTEMBER, 1975 AND WOULD STOP OVER IN
WASHINGTON ON RETURN TRIP TO YUGOSLAVIA. BY TAKING ADVANTAGE
OF DELEGATION'S ALREADY PLANNED TRIP, INTERNATIONAL TRAVEL
EXPENSES WOULD BE BORNE BY GOY. TIMING OF VISIT WOULD
ALSO BE OPPORTUNE, FOLLOWING ON VISIT OF HOUSE SPEAKER
ALBERT AND CONGRESSIONAL DELEGATION TO YUGOSLAVIA AUGUST
19-26, 1975. VISIT WOULD LAST APPROXIMATELY 3 WEEKS AND
INCLUDE MEETINGS WITH CONGRESSMEN AND STAFF, CALLS ON
APPROPRIATE USG OFFICIALS IN WASHINGTON, AND VISITS TO 2 OR 3
OTHER US CITIES.

2. HEAD OF GROUP WOULD BE KIRO GLIGOROV, CHAIRMAN OF
FEDERAL ASSEMBLY AND MEMBER LCY PRESIDUM. PROMINENT
ECONOMIST, GLIGOROV ONE OF ARCHITECTS 1965 ECONOMIC REFORMS.

3. SECOND MEMBERT OF GROUP WOULD BE MIHAILO JAVORSKI,
PRESIDENT, FEDERAL ASSEMBLY COMMITTEE FOR FOREIGN POLICY.
A CAREER AMBASSADOR, JAVORSKI WAS FORMERLY ASSISTANT
SECRETARY FOR FOREIGN AFFAIRS, MOST RECENTLY SERVED AS
YUGOSLAV SPECIAL ENVOY TO MIDDLE EAST.

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4. NAMES OF OTHER MEMBERS OF GROUP AND BIO AND PROGRAM
INFORMATION WILL BE FORWARDED LATER.

5. EMBASSY SEES VISIT OF ASSEMBLY MEMBERS AS MEANS
OF CONTINUING FRUITFUL CONTACTS WITH IMPORTANT GROUP IN YUGOSLAVIA
POWER STRUCTURE AND GIVE THE CHANCE TO GET ACQUAINTED WITH
U.S. MEETINGS OF GROUP MEMBERS AND US
CONGRESSMEN WOULD PERMIT USEFUL EXCHANGE OF VIEWS ON
INTERNATIONAL PROBLEMS AND BILATERAL RELATIONS. ASSEMBLY LEADERS
WOULD ALSO HAVE OPPORTUNITY TO GET AN UNREHEARSED LOOK OF
EVERYDAY USA WHICH IN OUR EXPERIENCE MAKES A LASTING AND
FAVORABLE IMPRESSION ON YUGOSLAVS.

6. WE WOULD APPRECIATE HAVING A PROMPT RESPONSE SO INVITATION
CAN BE DISCUSSED DURING ALBERT VISIT.
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